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MEMORANDUM

TO: School Health and Nutrition Program Sponsors

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Original Signed Arizona Department of Education, Health and Nutrition Services

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Arizona Department of Education, Program

DATE: January 10, 2007

SUBJECT: New Food No Longer Considered Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value

This memorandum is to inform you of recent modifications made to the Foods of Minimal Nutritional Value (FMNV) list from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), allowing new products to be sold in school food service areas during meal service. Additionally, some products have been removed from the FMNV exemption list.

The following companies have added specific products that are not considered to be FMNV.

- Brookside Fruit Company, Inc.
- Izze Beverage Company
- Ardea Beverage Company
- Dr. Parsons Dairy LLC

Please check with your provided, or see the complete list of foods not classified as FMNV, if you are interested in offering new products in your operation.

The following company has products that have been removed from the list of products exempted. The products are now considered an FMNV and cannot be served or sold during the mal period in a school food service area.

North Face Beverages: Splash Thirst Quencher – Cherry, Lemon-Lime, Grapefruit, Mountainberry, Orange, and Strawberry-Kiwi

For the complete list of products, grouped by manufacturer, that are not considered FMNV, please visit: www.ade.az.gov/health-safety/cnp/nslp/foodstomonitor/.

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Although these products are not considered FMNV, this does not mean they are approved or endorsed by the USDA Food and Nutrition Services or the Arizona Department of Education. Further, with the development of House Bill 2544 and the Arizona Nutrition Standards (ANS), please be aware that some of the items on this list may not be allowed under the ANS.

Additionally, please note that several companies with exempted foods manufacture similar products that are not exempted and still considered FMNV. The exemption of one product does not mean that similar products or a family of products are exempted unless specifically stated in an exemption letter and included on the exemption list.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this memo, please contact your assigned School Health and Nutrition Program Specialist at 602-542-8700.

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